

The Weekly Ledger.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22.

Hamilton Hall is in Clifton Hill.
E. D. Graham is in St. Louis on business.
Dr. T. J. Turner has returned to Columbia.
Mrs. O. R. Waite is visiting friends in Kansas City.
John H. Lane is in Southwest Missouri on business.
Miss Della Tully, of this city, is the guest of friends in Vandalia.
James Tipton, of Farber, died Monday and was buried Tuesday.
Charles Staples is home from a week's visit to friends in Jonesburg.
Miss Jessie Kent is home from a visit to friends and relatives in Wright City.
Mrs. James H. Sigler, of Shelbyville, Mo., is the guest of Dr. Patterson's family.
Wm. Hanley has the thanks of the Ledger for a jug of sweet pear cider.
Clarence Brown, of Troy, was the guest of Rev. J. A. Griffin one day this week.
Miss Sadie Chabang has returned from an extended visit to relatives in Chicago.
J. C. Robbins is putting down a splendid granite walk around the Phillips lots.
Miss Emma Luckie has gone to Illinois on an extended visit to friends and relatives.
Lakeman & Barnes have one of the handsomest front porches in the new office there in Mexico.
Japanese teas, served at Japanese table, by Japanese beauties at the lawn tea Friday night.
F. M. Shell, of Kansas City, an old Audrain county boy, pays for the Ledger to January 1, 1897.
N. G. Skelley, formerly night engineer at the Water Works, has returned to his home in Rush Hill.
Wm. Yostmeyer, who lives on Bean Creek, had one of his best horses killed by lightning this week.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown are home from an extended trip to Clinton and other points in the southwest.
Rev. Leslie F. Potter and wife have returned from a pleasant outing with friends and relatives in Kansas.
The Christian Church at Farber was struck by lightning Sunday night and damaged to the extent of \$75.
Miss Lena Harrison, one of Audrain County's most popular young ladies, is the guest of relatives in Mexico.
John Zimmerman, 1 1/2 miles southeast of Benton City, will make either on Tuesday and Fridays for customers.
Mrs. Smith Saunders, aged 50 years, a most estimable lady of Farber, died last week and was buried Saturday.
Miss Mattie Blanton has returned to her home in Columbia after a pleasant visit to Mrs. Dr. P. T. Rothwell.
Mrs. John J. Steele and daughter, Miss Mary, have returned home from a pleasant visit to relatives in Fort-trell.
Mr. John Thompson desires to return thanks to his neighbors for kindness shown during the last illness of his wife.
Don't Forget
That I am now next door to the Postoffice and can show you new fall millinery. MISS ROSAMOND.
A very small piece of silver in the hand of a Sibyl will unfold the curtain of the future at the lawn tea Friday night.
Miss Mary Brown, who has been visiting the family of Mrs. James Bradley, has returned to her home in Columbia.
Assessor J. A. Harrison is working in the east end of the county. He says the growth of Vandalia is simply marvelous.
The Shireman Clothing Company has for its motto, one price to all. A close profit for cash. Open Saturday, August 31. d2t w1t
Born to Mr. and Mrs. George W. Green, who live south of Mexico, a 9 1/2 pound boy. The Ledger extends congratulations.
R. D. Dunbar returned home Saturday night from a five weeks' visit in the east. Mr. Dunbar visited Washington City and several other large places.
Rev. J. J. Griffin, of Wellsville, has located in our city for the purpose of finishing the education of his daughters, Jessie and Annabel, at Hardin College.
The election to authorize the Mexico School Board to borrow \$5,000 for the purpose of building a new school house in South Mexico has been postponed until the 4th of September.
Rev. "Tip" Hook and family have returned from Kansas. Their many friends are glad to welcome them back to grand old Missouri. Mr. Hook agrees with the Ledger that "they all come back."

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For the Benefit of the Dissatisfied "Teacher."
To the Editor of the Ledger:
MEXICO, MO., August 19.—In an article in Saturday's LEDGER, "A Teacher" takes Prof. Torreyson and myself to task for giving such difficult examinations, &c.
He gives one of the sentences, which the public may examine for itself. Prof. Torreyson, who had charge of the Grammar, is in the East at present, so he can not reply (fortunately for "Teacher's") grammatical reputation.
As for myself and the Mathematics, I have no apology to offer to the Mr. "Teacher" for devoting considerable time to percentage. If you will examine his solutions of the examples given below you may judge for yourself as to whether or not Mr. "Teacher" has completed percentage and is prepared for more advanced work.
Example—Coffee which cost me 14¢ per lb., I sell 6 pounds for \$1.00; what is the gain per cent?
His solution: He pays 84¢ per lb. and sells at \$1.00, gaining 16¢—16¢ per 84¢. Answer: 19.0476%.
Example—What percent of 1/2 is 1/3?
His solution: 1/2 ÷ 1/3 = 3/2 = 1.5 = 150%. Answer.
A person does not need to be a "Teacher" to be able to tell that the above solutions are wrong. Yet he is posing as a critic on Mathematics. He is trying to make the impression on the mind of the public that because he got a third-grade certificate instead of a first-grade that we were unfair, unjust, &c.
Notwithstanding "Teacher's" statement to the contrary, the following topics were discussed during the last institute, viz: Fractions (common and decimal), Longitude and Time, Percentage, Commission, Discount, Profit and Loss, Interest, Proportion, &c., besides such general work as finding the amount of lumber, corn, land, &c.
Next Mr. "Teacher" if you are not satisfied let me know and I will give your name so that when you are ready to "get a change," as you spoke of, the public will know where to find you.
C. J. SETTLE.

A WARNING
From a Responsible Merchant of Mexico.
This may interest you; if not it will enlighten you on something you probably know nothing about. It is this: a little advice in the selection of a time piece in the shape of a watch. If you have any desire or intention to buy a watch this fall or winter, buy a good one by all means. The country is flooded with cheap movements in the shape of pocket watches and wrist watches, and the purchaser is at the mercy of the irresponsible peddler or a dealer who may be deceived himself by incompetency to judge. A good reliable watch is a great satisfaction to the person who wears it; and to the dealer also who tries to give you the worth of your money. The designs of the leading case manufacturers this fall are beautiful and I have taken the utmost care in my selection and think I have a stock of watches ranging in price from \$10 to \$25 that would do credit to a city and which I would take pleasure in showing you.
JNO. M. POLLARD, South Side Square.

Stall Room for Rent.
I have stall room for rent near the public school building. Will rent cheap. Scholars who come to school on horseback should know of it.
W. RILEY BROWN.

Negro Whipped.
From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.
Bill Criswell is the name of a colored "gambler" whose home is near Guthrie, this county. Bill became offended at the manner in which his friend, Emmet Divers, was disposed of, and with gun in hand he paraded the streets of the little village and abused the mob in a violent manner and was generally obnoxious. The citizens of that usually quiet little town, feeling that such a display of lawlessness and catching Bill they proceeded to administer a sound thrashing with heavy whips. Three of the aforesaid negro's carcass before a halt was called. Bill had enough and the next thing he was to parade and assert his rights he won't do.
Criswell formerly lived in Mexico and was known as a noisy, worthless sort of a dandy.

Race Horses Cheap.
On Wednesday, August 21, J. N. Stephens at the Kings corner will sell some race horses very cheap. The horses were sold under attachment brought by J. D. Orear for Hirschfeld, of Chicago, against C. H. Burton for feed. Hirschfeld bought four of the runners as follows: Little Mack \$50, Ada May \$40, King Henry \$50, Scotland \$75. W. A. Edmonston bought Viola Knight, said to be worth \$1,500, for \$175.

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